



Fluorescent Lights Too!

You might not have noticed, but there are two types of fluorescent lights and ballasts. One is environmentally-friendly and features a green imprint on each end. The second is the traditional fluorescent light which contains mercury.

The following are guidelines for properly handling each type of light.

Green Fluorescent Bulbs

These bulbs are marked on each end with green lettering. They contain low mercury levels and may be placed in your normal garbage receptacle.

Traditional Fluorescent Bulbs

These bulbs contain high levels of mercury and should be treated much differently than green bulbs. Non-residential users must contact the Pierre Solid Waste Facility at 773-7434 for more information on proper disposal.

Residential users are not required to recycle these lights, but are encouraged to do so if they choose.

Ballasts

These may be placed in your normal garbage receptacle if they are stamped "PCB FREE" or contain less than 50 parts per million PCBs.

Operating Hours Pierre Solid Waste Facility

WINTER HOURS

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Monday through Friday)
9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Saturdays)

SUMMER HOURS

8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Monday through Friday)
9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Saturdays)

The Solid Waste Facility's tree and yard waste bins are always open and free to the public.



The Solid Waste Facility's recycling bins are always open and free to the public. Items that can be recycled include the following:

Plastic: #1, #2 and #3 (check triangle on item)
Tin Cans: please rinse and remove labels
Paper: newspaper, magazines, white and colored paper
Aluminum cans
Corrugated Cardboard—look for waffles on the edges

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Electronics Recycling

Cell Phones
Computers
Televisions
Monitors
and more!



Recycling Electronics ~ it's the Right Choice!

It doesn't take long for a computer, DVD player or even a television to outlive its usefulness. The materials inside these devices, however, can easily be used over and over again. All it takes is a responsible decision to recycle those devices.

The City of Pierre recently created a voluntary electronics recycling program for its residential users. Devices can be dropped off at the Solid Waste Facility for a small fee, which is listed to the right. Electronics may still be disposed in residential waste receptacles, but they will not be recycled. In turn, toxic materials within these devices can find their way into our land and water.

For non-residential users, electronics recycling is mandatory. In 2006, the Environmental Protection Agency published rules which allowed businesses to recycle electronics equipment. If these devices are not recycled, however, they are considered a hazardous waste and the solid waste facility is unable to accept them.

If you have questions or comments regarding the proper disposal of electronic devices, please feel free to contact the Pierre Solid Waste Department at (605) 773-7434.

Why Charge a Fee?

The City of Pierre contracts with a private recycler to handle all of its electronics products. This creates an additional expense which is partially passed along to the user.

So what's the recycler do? In a nutshell, it removes and disposes hazardous materials such as lead and mercury. Recyclable materials including glass and plastic are also removed and separated so that each material can be returned into the manufacturing loop.

All possible efforts are made to recycle these materials in the United States and meet environmental laws and regulations.

Why Recycle Our Electronics?

Electronics equipment contains a high number of toxic materials that are hazardous and dangerous to human health and the environment. If sent to the landfill, these toxins can leak into the ground and waterways, polluting our drinking water and potentially harming our wildlife. Also, most electronics are made from metals and plastics that can take hundreds of years to disintegrate.

Recycling electronics prevents the accumulation of hazardous materials in landfills and helps protect the environment. It also prevents the depletion of natural resources by securing the longest life possible from a product. Please help by voluntarily choosing to recycle.!



Televisions	
• Small (<20")	\$15
• Medium (20"-32")	\$20
• Large (>32")	\$25
Computer monitors	\$10
Computer towers	\$6
Laptop computers	\$10
Keyboards	\$1
Printers	
• Small (desktop)	\$5
• Large (combination)	\$8
Scanners	\$6
Fax machines	\$6
Cell phones	\$1
VCR or DVD	\$6
Stereos	
• Small (cpu size/portable)	\$5
• Medium (home type)	\$10
• Large (console)	\$20
Copiers	
• Table top	\$15
• Floor (up to 140 pounds)	\$65
• Floor (over 140 pounds)	\$0.60/lb
Microwaves	\$5
UPS Backups	\$5
Misc. small low weight items	\$1
Other misc. items	TBD
Fluorescent bulbs	
• T12 (larger)	\$1.75/ea
• T8 (smaller)	\$1/ea